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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/579,798

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EXCELLENT IN ROUGHNESS OF FINISHED SURFACE AND
METHOD FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF

Group Art Unit: 1793

Examiner: Fogarty, Caitlin Anne

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